

FOR A DAY OF REST.

Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts Speaks of the Observance of the Sabbath

AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Y. M. C. A. and United Church to Large Congregations—"The Manifold Worth of the Sabbath" Was His Theme in the Morning—Extracts from His Interesting Talk, Sunday Work is Slavery Under-scored.

Yesterday morning at the First Presbyterian church, at the Y. M. C. A. in the afternoon and at the United Presbyterian church in the evening, Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, superintendent of the National Bureau of Reforms, delivered addresses on Sabbath observance, which were listened to at each service by large and interested congregations. Speaking of "The Manifold Worth of the Sabbath" in the morning the speaker said among other things:

"To most of us, in childhood, trained as we were in Christian homes, the Sabbath seemed a single star, shining upon our world with religious light alone. But when we reached the period of youth, and took up the labor of life with hand and brain, the Sabbath was seen to be a double star, the Lord's Day and the Rest Day,—light for the sinful, light for the weary. When we entered manhood, and assumed the full social responsibilities of the family and the state, we saw that the Sabbath is a whole constellation, the Lord's Day, the Rest Day, the Home Day, the Weekly Independence Day.

"In many of the churches we have an annual celebration of the resurrection of Christ. But every Lord's Day is a little Easter, celebrating the Lordship of Christ over death and life. We have an annual Labor Day, in fact, two such days, the first of May and the first Monday of September, increasingly devoted to the interest of labor. But these would be of little value without the Sabbath, which is Labor's Liberty Day every week. We have an annual Thanksgiving Day of family reunion, but the Sabbath is the weekly home day. We have an annual celebration of independence, but there would soon be little of it to celebrate if we should lose the weekly independence day in which we practice it, as the rich and the poor meet together in the churches and elsewhere as equals, recognizing one Lord as the Maker of them all.

"Let us study these Sabbath stars as guides of life. First of all, most familiar of all, because most important of all, the Sabbath is the Lord's Day, a new star of Bethlehem, proclaiming Christ as king to all nations, as it moves round the world every week. Controversy has driven some of us to use the name 'Sabbath' too exclusively. If others use the name 'Lord's Day,' to the exclusion of 'Sabbath,' to signify their belief that we have no Sabbath, let us use both equally, to show that to us the Lord's Day is the Christian Sabbath. Sabbath means only 'rest.' Lord's Day is the more positive, the more regnant term. One day in the week our Lord halts business and pleasure and politics, as a 'sign' that He is always Lord of our business, our pleasure, our politics. A day is the best of monuments, because it is a pillar of fire and cloud that moves around the world, in this case every week, proclaiming the Lordship of Christ to every nation. The Jews had a saying, 'He who breaks the Sabbath denies the creation.' But he who degrades the Lord's Day denies the Lordship of Christ, breaks the monument of his authority. To change the figure, the Lord's Day is the banner of the Lord Jesus Christ, its field of blue adorned with sun and stars, its stripes the black and white of night and day and the rainbow hues of the sunrise and sunset. To debase the Lord's Day is to rend the flag of Christ, to trample on the holy sign of his benignant royalty. To debase the Sabbath for trifles such as ordinary thoughtless society makes use of as excuses for Lord's Day lawlessness, is less excusable than to do so under the stress of great temptations, such as the drunkard's thirst for alcohol and the millionaire's greed for the gains of his Sunday train.

"Why did God write the commandment against Sabbath-breaking twenty-eight times as long as the commandment against stealing? Stealing attacks man's lower rights to things—minerals, vegetables, animals. Sabbath-breaking attacks the higher right to life and health, rights of conscience and the rights of God. Rights of health lead us to the second star in the Sabbath constellation, the Rest Day, the north star of deliverance from 'Sunday slavery.' Sunday work is slavery under-scored. The slaves of the south worked but six days per week, as a rule, and had one day in the week for worship and fellowship. Half as many of our people, black and white, are now 'free' to work seven days in the week. Slavery was called 'unpaid toil.' The toilers, however, got their board and clothes. But John Stuart Mill says that 'operatives are perfectly right in supposing that, were all to work on Sunday, seven days' work would have to be given for six days' pay; that is, the Sunday worker, like the sweeper, serves the devil for nothing and boards himself."

AT THOMSON M. E. CHURCH.

An Able Sermon by Dr. Bickley—The Music Was a Feature.

Services at the Thomson church yesterday attracted more than usual attention. Rev. Mr. Bickley's sermon on "The Coming Church" was handled in a most able manner. The music was also of a high order. The choir, headed by Prof. Schofield, sang with much expression and sweetness. The voices were well sustained by the organ. Their large new organ was presided over by Mrs. J. H. Hobensack. Her rendition of the opening and closing pieces displayed a high order of musical talent, and discloses the fact that she is deeply in touch with the grand organ. Although Mrs. Hobensack is comparatively a stranger here, she is destined to prove a valuable acquisition to the musical circles of Wheeling. Mrs. Hobensack was formerly organist of a church in Philadelphia.

ODD FELLOWSHIP.

Rev. Mr. Harzog, Teller of the Benefits and Beauties of the Order.

The Martin's Ferry Odd Fellows, accompanied by visiting brothers, attended the Baptist church in a body yesterday morning, where a most excellent sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. W. B. Harzog. The sermon, which occupied about forty minutes, was an appropriate one, and was greatly appreciated by the Odd Fellows and all others who were present.

The preacher told of the seventy-ninth anniversary of the order in the United States on Friday, the origin of Odd Fellowship, of Washington lodge

No. 1 in Baltimore, the first in the country; of the founder in this country and of the monument erected to his memory in Baltimore at a cost of \$10,000. He said the Odd Fellows now have the strongest organization in the world, having a membership of 800,000 in the United States alone and 62,013 members in good standing in the state of Ohio; that \$49,001 was spent for benefits last year. He said that the Odd Fellows do not aim to antagonize anybody; that the order will live and grow to bless humanity in the future as in the past. He stated that he knew of cases where the Odd Fellows had saved the property of widows; that he knew of orphan children who had been cared for, and that we need more Davids and Jonathans.

He closed by saying there is one degree some have not taken; it costs nothing—it is the sublime degree of Christianity. It will not make you more the less an Odd Fellow.

THE SMALLPOX SITUATION.

Another Case Developed Yesterday on the South Side—Seven Cases in the City Now.

Since Saturday, one case of smallpox has come to the attention of the authorities, and another which the health officer says is smallpox, but which two physicians express doubt as to its being smallpox, claiming it to be an advanced stage of chicken pox. This latter case is in the family of Edward Morris, at 88 Fifteenth street, the afflicted person being Albert Morris, the eight year old son of Mr. Morris. Drs. Belleville and Morris attended the boy and did not report it to Health Officer Walden for the reason mentioned, that they were not sure that it was smallpox. Dr. Walden heard of the case Saturday night and immediately had a yellow flag hung out. Yesterday he had warrants sworn out for the arrest of Drs. Belleville and Morris for not reporting the case. These, says Chief Bennett, will be served this morning. If the boy has smallpox, the physicians are liable to be fined \$20 in police court.

Another case was reported to Health Officer Walden at 9 o'clock last night by Dr. Mary E. Baron. It is a Mrs. Kindelberger, who lives on Myrtle street at Twenty-ninth. She is in the first stage of the disease.

Altogether there are now seven cases of small pox in the city. The negro taken from the Keystone State is convalescent at the pest house. There is one other case at the pest house, that taken from 405 Jacob street, South Side. In the city proper there are five cases, as follows: One at Fred Happy's; one in Alley 13 in the rear of Happy's; one at Edward Morris's, one at Kindelberger's, and one at 193 Eighteenth street.

It was reported about the city yesterday that the city health board had ordered the private schools in Wheeling closed, but this is not true. Professor Birch desires it stated that Linsly Institute will open to-day as usual.

DROWNED AT BIRTH.

A Floater Found over in the Back River Yesterday.

A small floater was found in the river at the Etna-Standard mill yesterday morning about 10 o'clock by two boys, who were playing along the shore. They landed the body, and Coroner Reece Furby was called.

The body was conveyed to the undertaking establishment of Geo. F. Lessem, Martin's Ferry, where the inquest was held. Drs. J. M. Blackford and W. B. Shultsworth made a close examination, and stated that the child had been born and came to its death by drowning. The verdict was in accordance with their statement.

There were no marks of violence and there is no doubt but what the little baby was thrown into the river and drowned soon after its birth. It was a white child, entirely nude and must have been in the water from three to five days. Undertaker Lessem buried the little creature in Riverview cemetery.

The finding of the baby attracted a large crowd and people expressed themselves in plain words as to what should be done with the person who drowned the helpless little wail.

THE CITY LEGISLATORS

Of Martin's Ferry, will Investigate the Police Department.

The Martin's Ferry council appointed a committee on Saturday night to investigate the dissatisfaction existing among the police officers, Mr. Barr having reported that he had been told that the police were not working in harmony, and that they had been at loggerheads for some time. He held that if there is any trouble council should know what it is before the time for reappointment for the coming year. The committee appointed to make the investigation consists of Carpenter, Stewart and Hilton.

An ordinance was passed requiring the cemetery trustees to give \$2,000 bond each and stating how business is to be conducted hereafter. The ordinance to appropriate money for the purchase of ground for an outlet for sewer in district No. 1 and other ordinances were laid over. A communication was received stating that Mrs. Mary Klevis would bring suit against the city for \$400 damages, alleged to have been caused by the change of grade on Second street.

A committee was appointed to ascertain the cost of repairing the fountain, corner Fourth and Hanover streets.

The May Festival.

The May Musical Festival to be given at Mozart park by the Mozart Singing Society on Wednesday, May 13, will be an event of no small importance in the local musical world. Miss Electa Gifford, the famous western soprano, whose wonderful voice has been heard in Wheeling, will be the star of the affair, giving several selections. Miss Newcomb, the Pittsburgh violinist, will also be a figure on the programme. Among the local people who will appear are Messrs. Zulauf and Day and Mrs. Flora Williams. Seats will go on sale in a few days at Milligan, Wilkin & Co.'s music store.

A CAR OF OIL.

This morning at 1:30 o'clock, Officer McCausland found a can of carbon oil set against the front of the building on Main street, until the late Main street accident occupied by A. L. Rice & Co. An hour before the officer saw the oil was not there. The can was taken to the public building.

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FROM PARKERSBURG.

A Brakeman Killed—A Bad Fire Friday Night. Special Dispatch to the Intelligence.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., April 28.—S. B. Croff, a well known brakeman on the Ohio River Railroad, was killed yesterday afternoon at Ripley Landing, while at work with his train. He and his wife made their home on Seventh street, this city, having come here from Newark, Ohio, some time ago. All the Ohio River railroad men were sorry to learn of his death.

Parkersburg had a bad fire Friday night, resulting in the destruction of Bartlett Brothers livery stable, the largest in the city, and in damaging the buildings on either side. The total loss is put at \$10,000, mostly covered by insurance. Bartlett had about thirty horses in the stable when the fire broke out. All were removed with care, except a big stallion, which became vicious and refused to leave the building. A colored man finally succeeded in getting him out as the flames were surrounding him. It was a thrilling scene.

Parkersburg is to have a base ball, foot ball and drill park right in the city, big tent for public meetings, political conventions, etc. The uniform rank, K. of P., have bought three acres lying between Murdoch avenue and Pond run, and will convert it into a park at once.

Deputy Marshal J. H. Mohon yesterday arrested Will White, a young farmer of the lower end of this county, on the charge of sending a letter through the mails to Thomas Clegg threatening to burn his tobacco barn. White and Clegg had had trouble, and White was arrested on suspicion. The barn was burned Tuesday night. A church and school house in that neighborhood have also been burned recently, and there is a bad state of affairs. The officers are trying to find the guilty parties.

The Parkersburg chair company has been incorporated to operate the plant of the old Parkersburg chair and turniture company. Philip D. Neal is the principal stockholder.

TREATED ROYALLY.

The Wheeling & Elm Grove People Recipients of a Hearty Expression of Thanks. To the Editor of the Intelligence.

Sir:—I wish through the columns of your paper to extend to the Elm Grove Railroad Company and its manager my sincere thanks for the kindness shown me and my party while in your city the 22, 23 and 24th instant. I came here to investigate their system with reference to adopting it as ours in the Milan, Birmingham & Elyria railroad, now in process of construction. I found their secretary, Mr. John Roemer, and their general manager, Mr. Weisgerber, to be men of hospitable character and obliging in disposition. They received my party, who were commissioners of Erie and Lorain counties, O., took them over the road and made their visit of investigation very pleasant. They came to investigate the motive power used by the Elm Grove company with reference to giving a franchise to the Milan, Birmingham & Elyria Electric Railway Company to use the Baldwin motor over the streets upon which it runs. They were well pleased and will give the franchise asked by the railroad company. We were received by Mayor Caldwell most cordially and given every attention asked, and were very favorably impressed with his hospitable character, and wish him a prosperous term of office.

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